

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

DATE: August 23, 2005

CALLED TO ORDER: 4:09 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 4:23 p.m.

### ATTENDANCE

#### Attending Members

Mary Moriarty Adams, Chairwoman  
Greg Bowes  
Vernon Brown  
Sherron Franklin  
Lynn McWhirter  
William Oliver  
Lincoln Plowman

#### Absent Members

Scott Schneider

### AGENDA

PROPOSAL NO. 348, 2005 - creates a new nonreverting fund to be known as the "Marion Superior Court Donation Fund"

"Do Pass As Amended"

Vote: 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 349, 2005 - creates a Marion Superior Court petty cash fund

"Do Pass As Amended"

Vote: 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 403, 2005 - creates a user fee for deployment of public safety services and creates non-reverting funds with authority for expenditures or appropriations from the said funds

"Postponed until September 21, 2005"

Vote: 7-0

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee of the City-County Council met on Tuesday, August 23, 2005. Chairwoman Mary Moriarty Adams called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. with the following members present: Greg Bowes, Vernon Brown, Lynn McWhirter, Sherron Franklin, Lincoln Plowman and William Oliver. Absent was Scott Schneider. Also present was Bart Brown, the Council's Chief Financial Officer.

PROPOSAL NO. 403, 2005 - creates a user fee for deployment of public safety services and creates non-reverting funds with authority for expenditures or appropriations from the said funds

Councillor McWhirter moved, seconded by Councillor Oliver, to "Postpone" Proposal No. 403, 2005 to the Public Safety Committee meeting on September 21, 2005. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Consent was giving to hear Proposal Nos. 348 and 349, 2005 together.

PROPOSAL NO. 348, 2005 - creates a new nonreverting fund to be known as the "Marion Superior Court Donation Fund"

PROPOSAL NO. 349, 2005 - creates a Marion Superior Court petty cash fund

Sue Patterson, Director of Finance for the Marion Superior Court, stated that this new non-reverting fund is formalizing a fund that has been in existence for over 30 years. This will be a fund for all of the Marion County Superior Courts. Ms. Patterson said that there is a checking account that the courts have with \$62,000 in donations in it and the State Board of Accounts recently audited this account. She said that both Proposal Nos. 348 and 349, 2005 will interact in such a way that the checks are written from the petty cash fund and then replenished out of the donation fund. This process will take place through the Auditor's Office in order to keep better records regarding these two funds.

Councillor McWhirter asked from what source these donations come. Ms. Patterson stated that these monies are derived from a fundraiser basketball tournament, and there is a program account that charges the kids for being in certain programs. She added that money also comes from donations that are given for volunteers. Councillor McWhirter asked if these funds replenish themselves. Ms Patterson answered in the affirmative. She said that as long as the funds are designated toward the Marion Superior Court they can take donations from the adult probation department and from activities that receive donations.

Councillor Bowes asked where the money will be spent. Ms. Patterson said that she intends to have an order by the current Executive Committee setting the parameters for use within the court system. She said in the past things were brought for the kids in the detention center. Before the food service was converted to ARAMARK, these monies were used to help purchase food for the kids at the detention center. She said that the details would be rather broad in terms of the

ability to use the dollars. Ms. Patterson said the funds would be used to benefit the kids more than anything else. Mr. Bowes asked if the funds would be used for anything with the Marion Superior Court. Ms. Patterson said that the Marion Superior Court is a part of this fund, so it would not be precluded from accepting donations from anyone in the Superior Courts.

Councillor Brown asked if the money that comes in and/or goes out of these two accounts will be tracked. Ms. Patterson said that the Auditor's Office will track everything dealing with the two accounts.

Bob Clifford, City Controller, stated that he has an amendment for Proposal Nos. 348 and 349, 2005. He said that the purpose of these amendments is to clarify that the donation fund will be spent through the petty cash fund, and the petty cash fund will be funded solely through the donation fund.

Councillor Bowes moved, seconded by Councillor McWhirter, to "Amend" Proposal No. 348, 2005 to add language at the end of Sec. 135-245 (c) to read "through the Marion Superior Court Cash change fund," and to "Amend" Proposal No. 349, 2005 to add language at the end of Sec. 135-246 (a) to read "The petty cash fund shall be funded solely by the Marion Superior Court donation fund." The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Councillor McWhirter moved, seconded by Councillor Bowes, to send Proposal Nos. 348 and 349, 2005 to the full Council with a "Do Pass as Amended" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

## CONCLUSION

With no further business pending, and upon motion duly made, the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee of the City-County Council was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Moriarty Adams, Chairwoman  
Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee

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